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PATENT CLAIMS

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5 1. A computerized method for checking and clearing relationship problems in an
6 organization including a plurality of members and a conflicts administrator, comprising the steps
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10 providing a computer system having a central database connected to a plurality of
11 terminals through a data transmission network;

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14 storing, upon said database, computer-intelligible existing relationship data denoting one
15 or more existing parties being serviced by said organization;

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18 storing, upon said database, computer-intelligible potential relationship data denoting one
19 or more potential parties, said potential relationship data inputted into one of said
20 terminals by a requesting party;

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23 transmitting said potential relationship data from said database to said terminals
24 through said data transmission network;

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27 displaying said potential relationship data upon said terminals for review by said
28 members;

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1 providing a graphic user interface upon each of said terminals for facilitating
2 communication between said members and said requesting party;
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4 receiving, upon said terminals, response information concerning said potential
5 relationship data, said response information directly entered by one or more of
6 said members;
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8 transmitting said input information from said terminals to said requesting party and
9 said conflicts administrator through said data transmission network;
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1 preparing said computer system to compare said potential relationship data and said
2 existing relationship data;
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4 comparing said potential relationship data and said existing relationship data;
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6 identifying when potential relationship data matches existing relationship data;
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8 creating an electronic report denoting one or more of said data matches, or lack thereof;
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0 transmitting said report to said conflicts administrator; and
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2 notifying said requesting party of the status of said potential client data.

1 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of defining one or more relationships
2 for each of said existing parties and each of said potential parties.
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4 3. A computer readable medium comprising a plurality of instructions for checking and
5 clearing relationship problems in an organization including a plurality of members and a conflicts
6 administrator, which when read by a computer having a central database connected to a plurality
7 of terminals through a data transmission network, causes the computer to perform the steps of:
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9 storing, upon said database, computer-intelligible existing relationship data denoting one
10 or more existing parties being serviced by said organization;

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12 storing, upon said database, computer-intelligible potential relationship data denoting one
13 or more potential parties, said potential relationship data inputted into one of said
14 terminals by a requesting party;

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16 transmitting said potential relationship data from said database to said terminals
17 through said data transmission network;

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19 displaying said potential relationship data upon said terminals for review by said
20 members;

1 providing a graphic user interface upon each of said terminals for facilitating
2 communication between said members and said requesting party;

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4 receiving, upon said terminals, response information concerning said potential
5 relationship data, said response information directly entered by one or more of
6 said members;

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8 transmitting said input information from said terminals to said requesting party and
9 said conflicts administrator through said data transmission network;

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11 preparing said computer system to compare said potential relationship data and said
12 existing relationship data;

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14 comparing said potential relationship data and said existing relationship data;

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16 identifying when potential relationship data matches existing relationship data;

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18 creating an electronic report denoting one or more of said data matches, or lack thereof;

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20 transmitting said report to said conflicts administrator; and

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22 notifying said requesting party of the status of said potential client data.

4. The medium of claim 3, wherein said plurality of instructions causes the computer to perform the additional step of:

defining one or more relationships for each of said existing parties and each of said potential parties.